



## STAFF REPORT

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**Agenda Title:** Update on the Construction Projects at Alexander Park and Davey Glen Park  
**Agenda Action:** Discussion & Direction

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### **Recommendation**

Receive a report on the progress of the Department's capital improvement projects at Alexander Park and Davey Glen Park.

### **Background**

On May 10, 2016, construction for the Alexander Park Restroom was approved by the Belmont City Council. This much needed improvement will enhance the visitor experience at this beloved neighborhood park. The old green metal restroom will be removed and a new restroom will be installed at a better location, away from adjacent backyards. The new restroom is a pre-fabricated model as shown that includes porcelain amenities inside and a handsome exterior. It includes a drinking water fountain, automatic door locks for nighttime, electric hot water, and is fully accessible.

### **Analysis**

The Department will be posting signage at Alexander Park letting users know that due to safety and logistical reasons the park will be closed during the removal of the old bathroom and installation of the new bathroom. The closure is planned to begin on November 1<sup>st</sup> and there will be chain link fencing in place across the entranceway. The fencing is tentatively planned to be installed on November 1<sup>st</sup> and will be a swinging gate that we can keep open if the construction is delayed for any reason. The park will likely be closed for two months during construction. The project cost is \$185,000.

The Davey Glen Park Project has been under construction since July 2016 and is about 35% complete. Current estimate for completion is March 2017. The project cost \$1,181,000. Staff has been working with the contractor to add additional trees to the project. 10 trees (seven 15 gallon coast live oak and three 24-inch box Buckeye trees) were added behind the Boulder area, just behind the playground fence. The cost of the irrigation pipe, irrigation valve, trees, and installation is about \$10,000 for these additional trees. Staff is looking for opportunities to add additional trees to the park at a reasonable cost.

Construction completed to date:

- Mobilization and grading of the site
- Back retaining wall
- Retaining wall around playground
- Irrigation work
- Storm drain work
- Soil amendment next to playground

Construction work in progress:

- Contractor is working on the entrance stairs, ramps, and railings.
- The playground area is prepared and the equipment installation will occur this week or next.
- Irrigation work
- Storm drain work
- Sandblasting

Construction work remaining:

- Fencing
- Picnic area
- Seat Walls- Park Sign
- Synthetic turf area
- Rain garden
- Amenities (Benches, picnic tables, etc.)

**Alternatives**

1. None

**Attachments**

None

**Fiscal Impact**

- ☐ No Impact/Not Applicable  
☒ Funding Source Confirmed: Planned Park Account

**Source:**

- ☒ Council  
☐ Staff  
☐ Citizen Initiated  
☒ Other\*

**Purpose:**

- ☐ Statutory/Contractual Requirement  
☒ Council Vision/Priority  
☐ Discretionary Action  
☒ Plan Implementation\*\*

**Public Outreach:**

- ☒ Posting of Agenda  
☐ Other

\* Commission

\*\* Parks and Open Space Master Plan